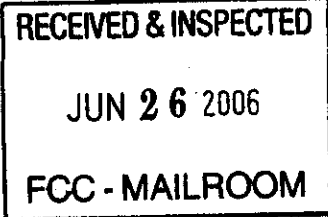


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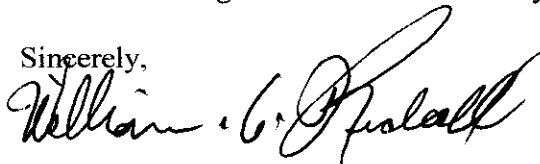
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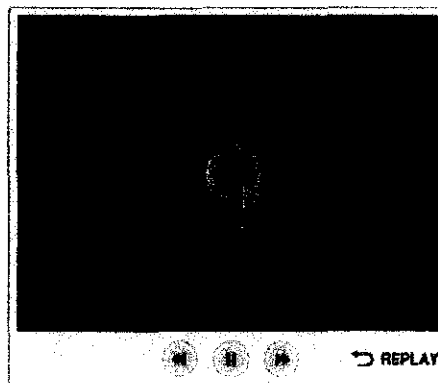
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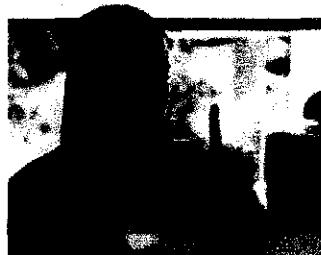
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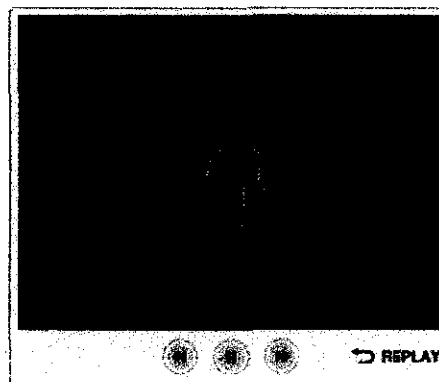
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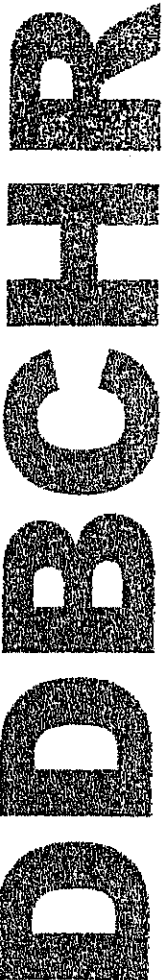


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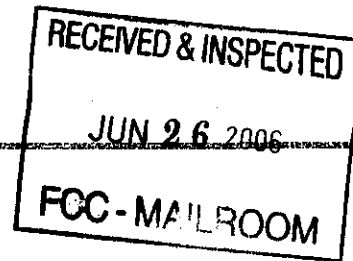
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The Deaf and Deaf-Blind Committee on Human Rights

June 16, 2006

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Dear Chairman Martin, Commissioners Adelstein, Copps and Tate:

The Deaf & Deaf-Blind Committee on Human Rights is a grassroots advocacy organization working to educate and organize around the issues of housing, healthcare, education, communication and living wage jobs. **We represent over 100 primarily Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing members in Northeast Ohio.**

We are very concerned about Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing people's **rights to clear and effective communication being violated if the FCC's proposed cuts in the Video Relay Service (VRS) are passed.**

Our members utilize the Video Relay Service, IP Relay and/or TTY to communicate. We are writing to thank you for supporting services that meet the communication needs of the Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard-of-Hearing community. **We strongly urge you to increase rather than cut the rate for these vital services.** Our members and thousands of other Deaf & Deaf-Blind people, their families and coworkers, depend on VRS and other relay services to communicate with hearing people and other Deaf & Deaf-Blind people.

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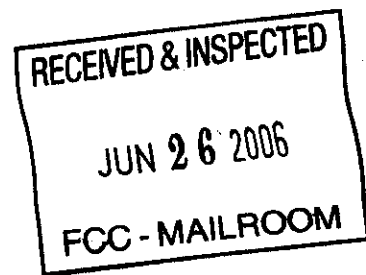
We thank you for your interest and support of Deaf & Deaf-Blind people's rights to effective communication.

Sincerely,

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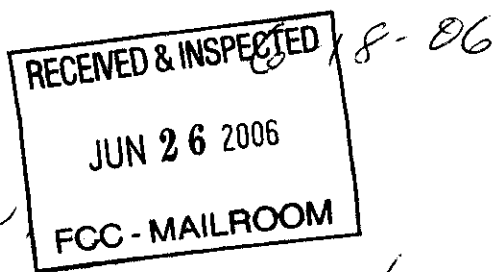
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